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May 14, 2019

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire, 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to grant a salary increase to Danielle E. Sakowski, Assistant Attorney General Position #9U261 (Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2904-013-500132) from a current salary of \$69,792.94 to a salary level of \$73,000 effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or June 07, 2019, whichever is the latter.

EXPLANATION

Ms. Sakowski is a resident of Concord and a member of the New Hampshire Bar. She received her law degree from Vermont Law School in 2012 and her undergraduate degree from Wellesley College. Since 2014, Ms. Sakowski has been an Assistant Attorney General with the Department of Justice, first in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and with the Drug Prosecution Unit since 2016. Prior to that, she was an Assistant District Attorney at the Cape & Islands District Attorney's Office in Barnstable, Massachusetts. Because of her experience and dedication, I designate Attorney Sakowski as a Senior Assistant Attorney General and the Chief of the Drug Prosecution Unit. In light of her increased responsibilities, I am requesting that her salary increase by \$3,207.06 from \$69,792.94 to \$73,000.

RSA 94:1-a(I)(c)(3) provides that designation of positions, salary levels, and salary increases for attorneys at the Department of Justice shall be determined by the Attorney General, subject to approval of the Governor and Council, within appropriations made to the Department of Justice.

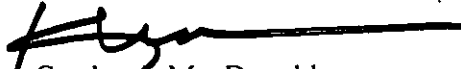
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I respectfully urge your favorable consideration of this requested salary increase. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,



Gordon J. MacDonald
Attorney General

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Danielle Horgan Sakowski

Bar Admissions:

Massachusetts – Admitted November 27, 2012.

New Hampshire – Admitted November 6, 2013.

Relevant Experience:

New Hampshire Department of Justice, Concord, NH.

Assistant Attorney General, DOJ Criminal Justice Bureau – Drug Prosecution Unit, February 2016-Present.

Assistant Attorney General, DOJ Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, August 2014 – February 2016.

- Embedded within the Heroin Strike Force at the United States Drug Enforcement Administration.
- Prosecuted and investigated drug cases to include death resulting cases and carfentanil distribution.
- Prepared and prosecuted patient abuse, theft, drug diversion, and Medicaid fraud criminal cases.
- Negotiated settlements in civil Medicaid fraud cases.

Cape & Islands District Attorney's Office, Barnstable, MA.

Assistant District Attorney, November 2012 – July 2014.

- Prosecuted cases in the District Courts of Barnstable, Dukes, and Nantucket counties.
- Handled jury and bench trials, motions to suppress and dismiss, dangerousness assessments, dispositions, and bails of misdemeanor and felony cases.
- Managed a fluid case load, including discovery requests, bills of particulars, and summoning witnesses.

Chambers of the Honorable Gary A. Nickerson, Barnstable, MA.

Superior Court Judicial Intern, Summer 2011.

- Assisted in the research and writing of memoranda relating to cases before Judge Nickerson.
- Drafted judicial decisions on dispositive motions.
- Observed trial work and attended lobby conferences.

Cape & Islands District Attorney's Office, Barnstable, MA.

Legal Intern, Summer 2010.

- Assisted in writing, research, and preparation for trials, motions, and an inquest.
- Argued bail, cases dispositions, and a bail review.

Publication:

Horgan, Danielle E., *Reconciling the Past with the Future: The Cape Wind Project and the National Historic Preservation Act*. 36 VT. L. R. 409 (2011).

Education:

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT.

Juris Doctor, *magna cum laude*, awarded May 2012.

- Class Rank: 28/202, GPA: 3.54, Dean's List: Every Semester.
- Staff Editor, *Vermont Law Review*, 2010-2012 academic years.
- Moot Court Advisory Board, 2011-2012 academic year.
- Emory Civil Rights and Liberties Moot Court Competition Team, 2011.
- General Practice Program Certificate.
- Dean's Fellow Legal Writing Instructor, 2011.

Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA.

Bachelor of Arts, History, awarded 2009.

- GPA: 3.25.